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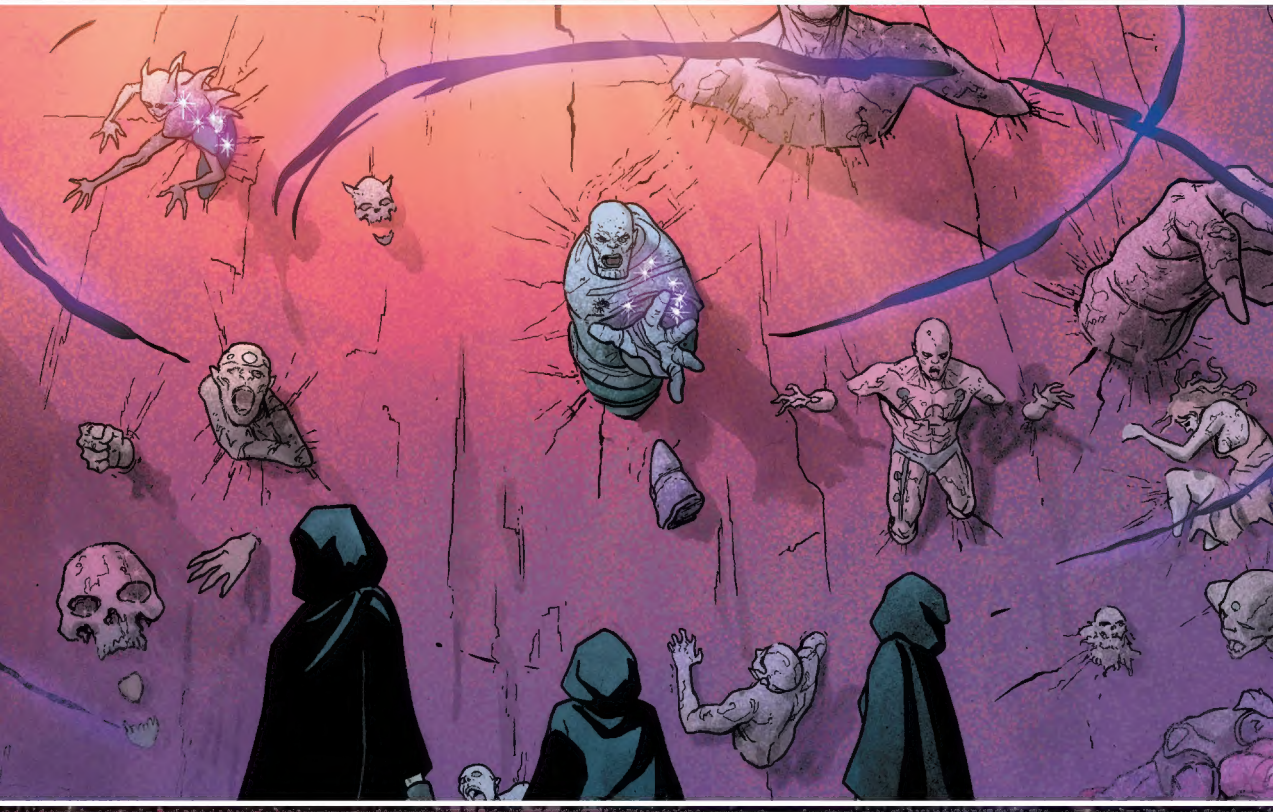
A total obsession with power drives him--to control the forces of the universe.
He is the Mad Titan. He is...

THANOS



Recently, Thanos was stricken with a terminal illness. Taking advantage of his father's weakened state, Thane recruited Nebula, Tryco Slatterus and Thanos' brother, Starfox, to assassinate the Mad Titan. But seduced by Death—his father's former love—Thane betrayed his teammates, harnessed the Phoenix Force, stripped Thanos of his powers and left them all for dead.

Realizing Thane's corruption, Thanos and his would-be assassins joined forces to stop Thane from destroying the universe. So, Thanos and Starfox entered the God Quarry—a legendary burial place of the gods—to claim power great enough to combat the Phoenix, but it was Thanos who was claimed by the Quarry. Now, he must prove himself worthy, or die...

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--KKT--
GET--GET
AWAY--
GRRAAAARRGH!!
THE ABOMINATION HAS LOST ALL CONTROL, WASP. GET AWAY WHILE YOU CAN!
DO NOT ENTER
I WON'T LEAVE YOU, SAM!
DON'T GIVE UP JUST YET, CAP...

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!

...LOOKS LIKE THE CAVALRY IS HERE!

THOOM

IRONHEART, DAREDEVIL, TAKE CARE OF THE WOUNDED. VISION, MS. MARVEL, KEEP THE CROWD BACK!

YOU GOT IT!

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AM-- AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU, BIG GUY.
GET BACK, CAPTAIN. I SHALL HANDLE THIS CRETIN.
THE CHAMPION OF TITAN... I WAS WONDERING WHEN YOU WOULD SHOW.
YOU BORE ME, BLONSKY. AND YOU HAVE HURT MY FRIENDS.
NO ONE HARMS THANOS' FRIENDS!

LET THIS BE A WARNING. THIS CITY IS UNDER MY PROTECTION. THIS WORLD IS UNDER MY PROTECTION!
THE END
REMIND ME NEVER TO GET ON YOUR BAD SIDE, THANOS.
WE ARE JUST LUCKY NO ONE WAS KILLED HERE TODAY, THOR.
LIGHTEN UP, BIG GUY, THEY LOVE US! THANOS AND THE AVENGERS! THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN'T DO!
YOU OKAY, THANOS?
I--
--YES...I BELIEVE I AM, CAPTAIN...

"...I BELIEVE I AM."
WHAT IS HAPPENING TO HIM?
THAT IS NOT FOR US TO KNOW, EROS.
AND HOW LONG DOES THIS USUALLY TAKE?
IT TAKES AS LONG AS IT TAKES.
NO ONE HAS ACTUALLY EVER GONE IN THERE WILLINGLY, HAVE THEY?
...
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.

SPEAKING OF TIME, NEBULA AND TRYCO ARE REALIZING THAT UNLESS THEY DO SOMETHING QUICKLY, THEY MAY VERY WELL HAVE VERY LITTLE OF IT LEFT.
WE NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE, NOW.
WHAT ABOUT THANOS AND STARFOX?!
LET'S FACE IT, CHANCES ARE THEY AREN'T COMING OUT OF THAT BLACK HOLE ANYWAY. AND IF WE STAY HERE, WE'LL BE DEAD, TOO. WE HAVE NO CHANCE AGAINST THANE WITH THE PHOENIX FORCE.
GETTING TO LIGHT SPEED IS OUR ONLY CHANCE OF ESCAPING. BUT I NEED YOU TO BUY ME SOME TIME WHILE IT CYCLES UP.
I'LL DO WHAT I CAN. WHAT KIND OF ORDNANCE DOES THIS SHIP HAVE?
DOES IT MATTER? IT WON'T STOP HIM ANYWAY.

ALL WE CAN HOPE TO DO IS DISTRACT HIM LONG ENOUGH TO JUMP!
I'LL DO WHAT I CAN!
CHOOM CHOOM
IT'S NOT SLOWING HIM AT ALL!
IT'S OKAY, THE ENGINE IS READY! HOLD ON, WE ARE ABOUT TO JUMP TO LIGHT SPEED!
IMPOSSIBLE! HOW IS HE KEEPING PACE?!
SHRACK
THWOOM
WE'RE HIT!

HE KNOCKED US OUT OF LIGHT SPEED! WE BARELY GOT AWAY FROM THE BLACK HOLE!
THERE'S AN UNCHARTED PLANET NOT FAR FROM HERE!
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO MAKE IT!
HOLD ON, TRYCO!
KHOOOM
COUGH! COUGH!
WE-- WE MADE IT!

YOU DID NOTHING OF THE KIND, TRYCO.

YOU USED US! YOU USED ME!

SHRACK

I DID. IT WAS ALL YOU WERE EVER GOOD FOR.

NOW, I WILL GIVE YOU *ONE CHANCE* TO LIVE.

TELL ME... *WHERE* IS MY FATHER?

WHERE INDEED...
HRRM...
ALL QUIET, BOSS?
YES. IT WOULD SEEM THE ABOMINATION WAS THE ONLY THREAT THAT NEEDED TO BE DEALT WITH TODAY.
YEP. THE WEST COAST TEAM JUST CHECKED IN. ALL GOOD THERE, TOO.
AND STARFOX AND THE COSMIC AVENGERS CHECKED IN, TOO. THEY JUST SIGNED THE PEACE TREATY WITH FLIVOK-6.
STARFOX?
YEP. HE SAYS IT'S ALL CLEAR OUT THERE, TOO. HE, GROOT AND STAR-LORD ARE HEADED BACK HOME TO THE BASE ON TITAN.

WHAT'S UP, THANOS? YOU STILL SEEM... UNEASY.
I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL THAT ALL OF THIS IS...NOT QUITE RIGHT.
REALLY? HOW SO?
I--I FEEL AS THOUGH I HAVE FORGOTTEN SOMETHING IMPORTANT.
YOU HAVE.
LOOK.
THIS-- THIS IS NOT REAL.
THE WITCHES OF INFINITY! THE GOD QUARRY! THAT-- THAT IS WHAT THIS IS!
YES. BUT IT CAN BE.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I MEAN, THIS CAN BE YOU. YOU CAN BE THE GREATEST MAN WHO EVER LIVED. YOU CAN BE HAPPY. AT PEACE.
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS STAY. STAY WITH US AND YOU NEVER HAVE TO GO BACK TO THAT LIFE OF PAIN AND ANGER AND HATRED.
HEH.
HA HA HA HA!
THANOS?
THIS? THIS IS HOW YOU TEMPT ME? THIS IS MY GREAT TRIAL?
THIS IS ALL YOU HAVE, WITCHES? YOU TEMPT ME WITH A-- A CHANCE AT GOODNESS?
WE TEMPT YOU WITH A CHANCE FOR PEACE. TRUE PEACE, MAD TITAN.
DON'T YOU SEE? I KNOW EXACTLY WHO I AM...

I AM THANOS!
AND I MADE PEACE WITH THAT LONG, LONG AGO.
SPLORT
DO YOU HEAR ME, WITCHES? IT IS OVER!
I AM THANOS THE WORLD KILLER! THANOS THE DESTROYER!
SHRACK
AND I HAVE POWER.

KRRKT
KRRKT
GAAAHH!
ARRRGHH!
THANOS?!
HRRN...

WHAT HAPPENED?! ARE--ARE YOU--
WHAT IS IT?
E-EROS?
I BELIEVE I OWE YOU THIS...
SHRIK
B-BUT I HELPED YOU--I--
SHUT UP, YOU SNIVELING FOOL.
YOU ARE NOTHING TO ME.
SHRACK

YOUR GREAT TRIAL WAS PATHETIC, SISTERS OF ETERNITY.
WAS IT?
IT SEEMS THE QUARRY WAS EXACTLY WHAT IT NEEDED TO BE.
IT SEEMS YOU GOT EXACTLY WHAT YOU CAME FOR.
I WANT OUT OF THIS PLACE, AND I'LL KILL YOU IF I MUST.
THERE IS NO NEED, THANOS.
YOU HAVE EARNED YOUR POWER AND YOUR FREEDOM.
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH IT?
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?
I AM GOING TO WHUP THAT INSOLENT PUP.

THE POWER IS MESSING WITH YOU, BOY! THIS IS NOT WHO YOU ARE!
WHERE IS HE?!
KILL HIM, THANE. GIVE HIM TO ME.
I--
DO IT!
YOU! WHERE DID YOU COME FROM?!
I AM EVERYWHERE, NEBULA. I AM IN EVERYONE. EVEN YOU.
WHAT IS MY FATHER DOING?! WHERE DID HE GO?!

THOOM
I AM RIGHT HERE, BOY.
FATHER! WILL YOU FACE ME?
FACE YOU? HEH. I WILL WIPE YOU FROM THIS WORLD LIKE THE ACCIDENT YOU ARE, THANE.
I AM THANOS. AND I HAVE RETURNED.
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